HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 532

By Fitzhugh

A RESOLUTION to recognize James Wilder Warren, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, James Wilder "J. W." Warren, Jr., is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for forty-five years, with the State of Tennessee's Division of Solid Waste Management, and who will be embarking upon a much deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, born in Brownsville to Frances Warren and J. W. Warren, Sr., J. W. Warren is a graduate of Halls High School and the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Warren began his illustrious career in 1971 when he became the first Lauderdale County environmentalist; in 1974, he served as an environmental consultant in the Jackson field office of the Division of Solid Waste Management, earning promotions to assistant field office manager and field office manager in 2003; and

WHEREAS, he is an active and important part of his community and his profession, serving on the economic development board of Halls and as co-director of the Halls Cemetery Association for twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, he also contributes his time to serving as the men's Bible School teacher and president of United Methodist Men at Halls First United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Warren is looking forward in his retirement to spending more time with his wife, Betty, and their three children, Sally Haynes, Stacy Smith, and Sarah Beth Warren; and their three grandchildren, Tybi Haynes, John Wilder Smith, and Swayze Smith; and

WHEREAS, J. W. Warren exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, J. W. Warren has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and honor James Wilder Warren, Jr., upon his exemplary years of service with the State of Tennessee on the occasion of his retirement and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for much success and happiness in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.